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JOURNALISTS DINNER AT UNION TONIGHT

Past, Present And Future Men On The Tech To Hear Editor Tracy

Informality will be the rule at this evening's dinner of The Tech. This, the second dinner of this year's paper, will be held in the Union proper dining-room at 6.30 P. M.

The main speaker of the evening will be Mr. Tracy, managing editor of the Boston Evening Transcript. He will speak on modern journalism. As he is connected with one of the large progressive papers, his talk will undoubtedly be of much value as well as of interest.

All men who have been connected with the paper, and any others who are interested are urged to come to the dinner. The Union will provide a low priced, simple yet satisfying dinner.

Among those who will be present and may give suggestions are Prof. Pearson and Mr. Cort of the English department, Mr. I. W. Litchfield, Mr. R. C. Tolman, editor in chief in 1902, and Mr. M. R. Scharff, once of The Tech, and now assistant to the President.

The dinner held last term at which Prof. Pearson, Mr. Litchfield, and Mr. Scharff were speakers was well attended by the members and readers of The Tech. The dinner was successful, in that the men became better acquainted with each other, and those higher up. The results were a decidedly better feeling and less loss of time.

The tickets for the dinner are for sale by members of the board and others. The price is thirty-five cents.

The time set is 6.30. It will be over for those who have to get away by about eight.

M. I. T. PRIZE DRILL

Annual Event To Occur On Wednesday, April 27

The annual Interscholastic Prize Drill of the M. I. T. Battalon will occure this year on Wednesday afternoon, April 27. The battalion will give a dress parade and company drill, and the high schools send in teams to compete for the individual honors. The prizes are to be a gold medal for the winner, a silver medal for the second man, and a shield for the winning team.

The committee in charge of the affair are working hard to make it a success. Adjutant John S. Selfridge is the chairman of the committee while the other members are non-commissioned officers of the cadets. The drill has always been a success with regard to the military part and generally financially.

Besides this drill, the battalion also has a prize drill of its own. This event will probably take place some time in the latter part of May. In this drill six men from each company compete in an individual prize drill with a gold and a silver medal as the reward. A competitive company drill is also held, and following this, the presentation of prizes, commissions, and warrants, at the battalion dress parade. Our own drill will probably occur on some Friday evening.

Tickets for the Interscholastic Prize Drill may be obtained from any of the committee.

LECTURE ON CANNING TO MECH. ENG. SOCIETY

R. A. D. Preston And A. P. Truette To Give Talks This Evening

This evening at eight o'clock the Mechanical Engineering Society will hold a regular meeting in Room 11 Engineering B. R. A. D. Preston 1910 and A. P. Truette 1910 will give a talk on the "Canning Industries," the lectures being fully illustrated by the stereopticon.

Mr. Preston has been employed for two summers at a large canning industry in New York State and will open the lecture with a general description of the important canning machinery used. Following this there will be a more detailed description of the canning of peas.

Mr. Truette, who has also been connected for some time with this kind of work, will give the second part of the talk, taking for his subject corn and beans. All branches of the work will be described, showing the different processes used from the time the corn is grown till it is canned and ready for shipment.

A DOUBLE SPECIAL

Thursday, a double special of The Tech will be issued. The outside eight pages will give a complete advance on Junior Week. A complete summary of the events made up in calendar form will be given. More detailed accounts will be given in special articles.

Pictures of the Tech Show principles and choruses will be displayed. The catchy parts will be cartooned.

Technique Rush will be artistically as well as journalistically chronicled.

The inside eight pages will be devoted to a consideration of Phyhics and Electro Chemistry, Courses VIII. and XIV. Although not among the courses taken by large numbers, these two are very important. Electric Chemistry is one of the coming sciences, as is evidenced by the recent wonderful development in eletro-chemical industries. Physics is the foundation for all science and engineering. More and more are the seemingly purely theoretical considerations coming into practical use in industrial economy, and the fundamental physical propositions are as absolutely essential for the creative engineer as the pure scientist.

Watch for this, the best yet.

CLASS NUMERALS

The men who get their numerals as a result of Saturday's meet are the first six men who finished for the Sophs in the cross-country—E. E. Ferry, R. M. Ferry, K. Cartwright, H. S. Benson, R. E. Whipple, and V. V. Ballard, and all the men who won a first in the track meet:—C. E. Trull 1913, J. J. Strachan 1913, M. A. Oettinger 1912, H. G. Watkins 1912, J. S. Grant 1912, P. W. Dalrymple 1912, H. Greenleaf 1912, D. F. Benbow 1912, J. L. Bray 1912, and W. M. Ruby 1912.

LADIES WELCOME AT TECHNIQUE-RUSH LUNCH

Attendance Last Week Breaks All Previous Union Records This Year

Thursday will be a big day at the Union. At the special luncheon, which will be served at noon, the man who gets the first Technique out of the rush, the most mauled up man, and the man who has the most outlandish rush togs. will be guests of honor. Of course, these men will come to the dining room in the same costumes which they wore at the rush. Changing clothes is'nt fair, but washing will probably be permitted. Some of the men have signified their intention to bring their folks to this luncheon, and the management wishes to announce that ladies will be welcome.

All records for attendance at the Union were broken last week. The number of men served was 2556, breaking the record of 2496, established in the first week of March. Dinners were served to the Tech Show, April 3, at the Union, and at Shubert's Theatre, April 10. The T. C. A. was served April 6, the Chemical Society April 7, and the Boston Section of Electrical Engineers April 9. Refreshments were served to the Mining Engineering Society April 15, and at Union Night, April 8. During the coming week dinners will be served to The Tech, T. C. A., N. E. Association of Natural History Societies, and the Class of 1905. The Union will serve dinner to the Tech Show at Northampton on Saturday, and also refreshments on the train after the performances.

Following is the report for the week:

DINING ROOM.

Receipts.

Inventory April 10	$398.74
Dining Room	495.44
Private Dinners	155.20
Supplies sold	12.75
Gum	5.65
Discounts	1.34
	$1,069.12

Expenses.

Inventory April 3	$424.36
Supplies bought	419.37
Wages	140.80
Students' Wages	37.81
	$1,022.34
Profit	$46.78
Attendance	2,556

Cigars and Candies

Receipts.

Inventory April 10	$56.43
Cash received	64.10
Discounts	.43
	$120.96

Expenses.

Inventory April 3	$62.73
Cash paid out	37.53
	$100.26
Profit	$20.70
House Committee Expenses	$ 3.50
Net Profit, all departments	53.98
Nominal Profit to date	100.84
Equipment to date	431.04
Carpentry, etc., to March 1	309.60

Brussels, April 11.—Extensive preparations are going on for a big welcome to Theodore Roosevelt. The king may offer to the ex-President the decoration of the Order of Leopold.

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On Thursday at 1.20 the last gun for the rush will be fired and Technique 1911 will be officially on sale. There will be three warning shots, the first at 1.15, the second at 1.18(and the third at fifteen seconds before 1.20. The first five books are free as usual and a new incentive for a good rush has been added as the board is going to have these books all of the de luxe edition. The president's signature will appear in the first twenty copies, all of which are numbered. The five free de luxes will be the only ones of that edition in the rush proper. The de luxes will be delivered that day, but not until the rush is all over, making two rushes instead of one as heretafore. The ordinary edition will be given out in the rush while the de luxe edition will be delivered in the archway between B and Pierce.

Fair play is assured to every one as the husky captain of the basket-ball team will be on duty to see that no one attempts to rob another fellow of his treasured number, should he receive one.

The last opportunity to sign up for a book is today and there are men at the Union every noon to sell slips and sign up anyone should they have not not done so yet.. The board positively states that no books will be sold. It is to be a subscription affair only and anyone who does not sign a slip will NOT get a book.

Porto Maurizio, April 11.—Gifford Pinchot, the former chief forester of the United States Department of Agriculture, spent the entire day today in a secret interview with Col. Roosevelt. Although the results of the interview have not been announced, it is expected that they wil be soon.

Boston, April 12.—Secret and extensive tests under water with torpedoes will be made at the naval torpedo station at Newport during the coming summer by the submarine Octopus. The Montgomery, another submarine, will also continue her experimental work with torpedoes which she is now conducting in southern waters. The two submarines will probably work together and some good results are expected from these tests.

CALENDAR.

Tuesday, April 12.

5.00 P. M.—Executive Committee of Institute Committee. Room A, Union.
6.00 P. M.—The Tech Dinner, Union.
7.00 P. M.—Technique Electoral Committee, Union.
8.00 P. M.—Mech. Eng. Soc., 11 Eng. B.

Wednesday, April 13

1.00 P. M.—Tech Board Meeting, Tech Office.
3.00 P. M.—Baseball, 1912 vs. Everett at Everett.
4.15 P. M.—Institute Committee, Room A, Union.
6.00 P. M.—T. C. A. Dinner, Union.

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BOSTON, MASS., APRIL 12, 1910.

Be in style. Get yellow jaundice.

Those spring concert posters are delightfully artistic and indefinite.

Pretty soon that Union Record will bring a charge of assault and battery against the growing crowds.

Canning has a large field. The lecture to-night should interest the chemists as well as the Mechanical Engineers. Why would not it be well for the society to extend a general invitation as others have done?

Today's communication warrants considerable attention by all connected with societies.

The last opportunity to get a rush ticket is today. Although this does seem to be a rather hasty closing up shop it is an opportunity that should be made use of for all who don't mind a little rough house and perhaps a little larger tear, with a fine de luxe Technique signed by the president as the goal.

Some of the activities have been a little too careless of their attention to their patrons. It is well enough to holler "last chance" and " you're stung if you don't keep up with us," but after all, it is everyone's business to think of the other fellow's convenience first and not to be quite so abrupt. It saves hard words and hard feelings that are very likely to fester.

GENERAL NEWS

TELEGRAPH NEWS OF THE MORNING.

WEATHER REPORT.

For Boston and vicinity—Tuesday increasingly cloudy, with moderate northwesterly to northerly winds.

Boston, April 12.—The battleship North Dakota, the second all-heavy-gun dreadnought turned out for the United States navy, was put in commission at 10.30 A. M., yesterday at Charlestown by Lieutenant-Commander Nathan C. Twining, U. S. N., aid to the commandant and acting captain of the local yard.

San Bernardino, Ca., April 12.—Two distinct earthquake shocks were felt here at 11.57 Sunday night. No damage was done. It was also felt in San Diego.

Cambridge, April 12.—The appointment of Percy D. Haughton as coach of the Harvard team for the next three years, at a salary of $5000 a year, has met with the utmost approval, not only of all the Harvard grads and students, but of Yale and Dartmouth men.

Washington, April 12.—That the famous waters of Hot Springs, Ark., are radio-active has now been established beyond all doubt, and that it is because of this raido-activity that they possess their wonderful curative properties most well informed persons no longer question. That is what the United States government says about these waters in its official report.

Charlestown, April 12.—America's second great super-dreadnought, the battleship North Dakota, was formally placed in commission at the Charlestown navy yard yesterday, in the presence of a part of her crew of nearly one thousand officers and men and with three or four hundred spectators viewing the exercises from a nearby pier at the Charlestown navy yard..

New York, April 12.—Clouds of dust are floating over West Indian waters, which Capt. Dickinson and crew of the steam-ship Avon, in yesterday from the West Indies, believe came from the eruption of Mt. Etna and were wafted over the Atlantic. Last Wednesday black rain fell all over the island of Bermuda and the sultry stillness of the air seemed to portend some subterranean disturbances. .

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Washington, April 12.—Halley's comet was seen here yesterday for the first time by Professor Asaph Hall of the Naval Observatory and his assistant. It was about 4.30 o'clock in the morning when, through the big 26-inch telescope at the observatory, they obtained a sight of the wanderer of the heavens which for the past three-quarters of a century has been hidden from the eyes of the inhabitants on this globe. For about fifteen minutes the comet remained visible.

Washington, April 12.—Ex-President Roosevelt has consented to lecture about his African trophies before the National Geographic Society some time after he returns to this country. The date has not yet been fixed.

Washington, April 12.—President Taft will be the guest of honor of his college fraternity—Psi Upsilon—next Saturday evening at a banquet in this city. The local association of its members has invited him to be present and he will represent Beta Chapter of Yale with his son, Robert A. Taft, who will come from New Haven for the event.

FOREIGN.

Halifax, N. S., April 12—The population of Nova Scotia at the present time is 512,785, or an increase of nearly 50,000 since the census of 1901. This information is based on vital and immigration statistics, and has just been submitted by the deputy registrar-general in his first annual report to the provincial legisalture. The increase of births over deaths during the past two years was 5,354.

Berlin, April 12—At least 120,000 Socialists and Radicals took part Sunday in the most impressive demonstration ever held in Berlin in favor of suffrage reform in Prussia. From 11 o'clock in the morning the streets resounded with the march of squads of earnest-looking men from every precinct in the city toward the Humboldt-Hain, the Friedrichshain and Treptow park, where Police Commissioner von Jagow had sanctioned open air meetings.

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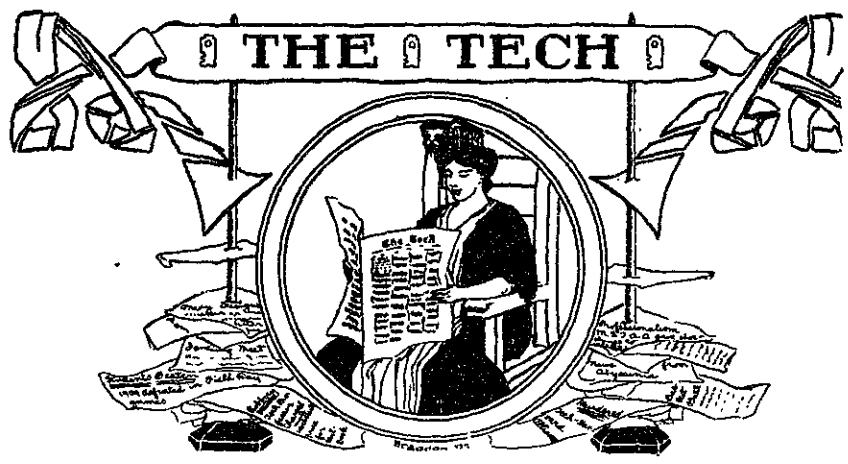

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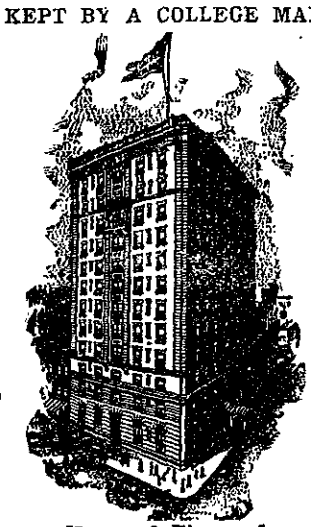

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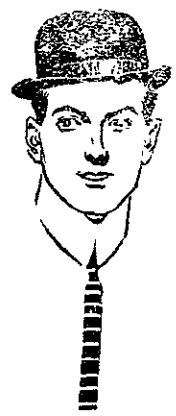

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COMMUNICATION

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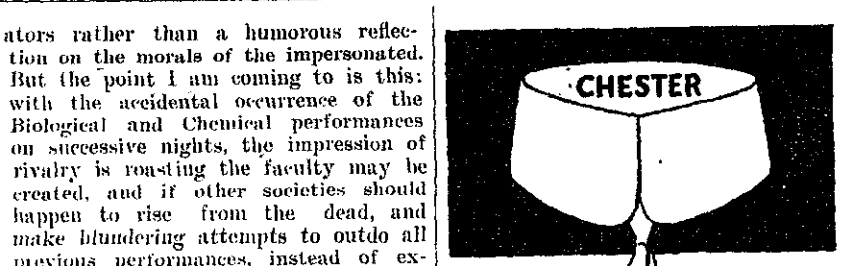
Editor of The Tech,

Dear Sir:—In reference to the recent faculty impersonations with which several societies have been entertaining their members, a word should be said now, I think. This form of jeu-de-cheval began in the Biological Society as a means of enlivening the typical funereal Tech-society dinner. All stunts thus presented, as I happen to know, were submitted to the judgment of a member of the Faculty in order to eliminate anything which might unintentionally give the impression of being raw and disrespectful. And in the last performance particularly, though of course mannerisms and foibles of the professors and the usual laugh-producing knocks on things knockable were incorporated, the purpose was not one of ridiculing our teachers with a congeries of exaggerated idiosyncracies, but was one of good-natured amusement and of representing in the various speeches the "lecture-character" of each professor. Professors Cross and Phelps, to be sure, were made to reveal an extraordinay side of their personalities, but this was to provide an outlet for the comedian abilities of the impersonators rather than a humorous reflection on the morals of the impersonated. But the point I am coming to is this: with the accidental occurrence of the Biological and Chemical performances on successive nights, the impression of rivalry is roasting the faculty may be created, and if other societies should happen to rise from the dead, and make blundering attempts to outdo all previous performances, instead of exhibiting a little originality of their own, extremes will soon be reached and some kind of an unpleasant situation will result. VII GRADUATE.

Brussels, April 12—King Albert has approved the plans of the ministry of the colonies for reforms in the Belgian Congo, to become effective on July 1. Taxes will be collected in money and not paid by labor, and polygamy will be suppressed.

Berlin, April 12—Emperor William plans to return to Berlin in itme to receive Mr. Roosevelt upon his arrival but the former president has not as yet accepted the invitation to go direct to the palace before visiting the American Embassy as first planned.



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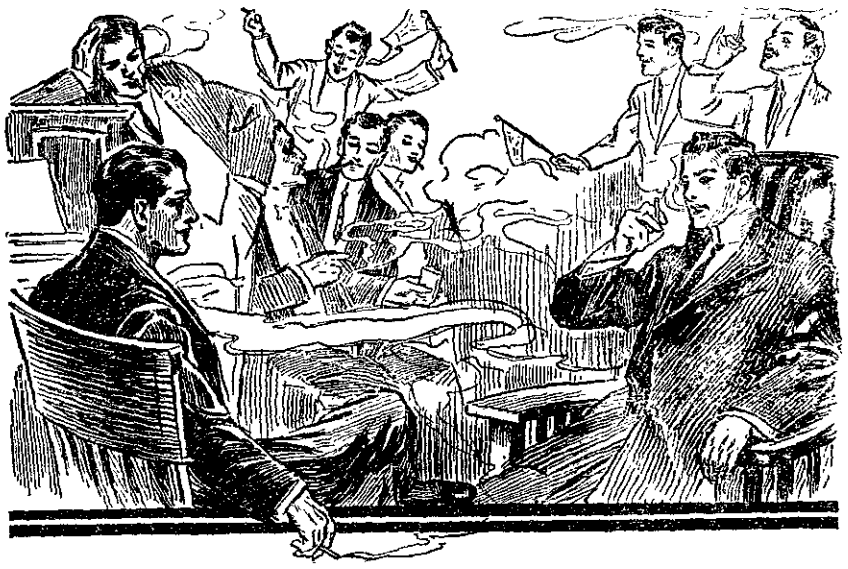

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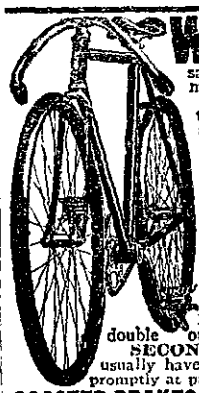

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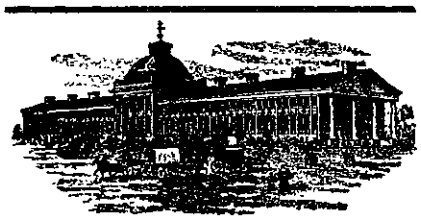

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NOTICES

No laboratory exercises in Theoretical Chemistry (619) will be held during the week April 18-23. Sections due that week will come into the laboratory the following week. Correspondingly the laboratory exercises for the other sections will be postponed one week.

MILES S. SHERRILL.

FIRST YEAR.

The gymnasium exercises in Physical Training will close this term on Thursday, April 14th. All deficiences must be made up within the next three weeks.

During the last week of exercises assignments will be made by Mr. Kanaly for physical measurements to be plotted on the charts.

Award of Cabot Medals, based on these reports, will be made by the Committee before the end of the term.

ALFRED E. BURTON,
Chairman Faculty Committee on Physical Training.

FIRST YEAR.

SHADES AND SHADOWS.

March 24, 1910.

Exercises in this course will be held on Mondays, 2-3, and Fridays, 12-1, in Room 40A Pierce Building, beginning Monday, April 4, except on May 9, when the Monday exercise will be transferred to Wednesday, May 11, at 2 P. M.

Students are requested to bring to the first exercise T-square, 45 degree triangle, scale, etc.; paper will be furnished.

WALTER HUMPHREYS,
Registrar.

SPANISH 1, SECTION D.

Exercises in this subject will be held hereafter on Monday and Wednesday, instead of on Monday and Friday; otherwise as heretofore.

1911 PROM.

Engraved invitations for the 1911 Junior Prom have been left at the Cage for all men who have signed up.

1913.

Two-hour test in Descriptive Geometry on
Monday, April 11, at 9. A. M.
Monday, April 11. at 2. P. M.
Tuesdty, April 12, at 2 P. M.

C. L. ADAMS.

M. E. SOCIETY.

Next meeting of the M. E. Society, Tuesday, April 12, in 11 B at 8 P. M. A. P. Truette and R. A. D. Preston will speak on "The Canning Industry." To be illustrated by lantern slides.

Owing to the fact that there is only one shell in which to practice, Coach O'Leary has found it necessary to reduce the crew squad to the following men: Ahlers, Barnes, Freeman, Godley, Goodnow, Golt, Herreshoff, Lawler, Robertson, Ruby, Sweet, Upham & Whittlesey. This is not a final cut, but only temporary, until another shell can be procured, when the rest of the candidates will be given another trial. Practice at 4.00 P. M. every day.

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